

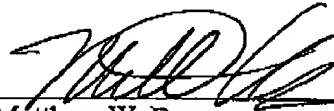
REMARKS

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Final Office Action dated December 16, 2004, having a shortened statutory period set to expire March 15, 2005.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for indicating the allowability of claims 4, 7, 9 and 10. Applicant has canceled all claims other than 4, 7, 9 and 10. Applicant is filing herewith a Continuation Application with respect to claims 2, 3, 5, 6, 8 and 11-15. Applicant respectfully thanks the Examiner for his patience in the prosecution of the present application.

Applicants invite the Examiner to contact the undersigned attorney of record at (512) 343-6116 if such would further or expedite the prosecution of the present Application. No extension of time is believed to be required. However, in the event that an extension of time is required, please charge that extension fee and any other required fees to **IBM Corporation Deposit Account Number 09-0446**.

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